

# Mayor and City Council Update August 25, 2017



To: Mayor and Council  
From: Administration  
CC: Department Heads

## Administration

- Partners in Education – Administration staff attended their first Partners in Education luncheon at Campbell High School and plan to continue attending in order to build upon the City's relationship with CHS. Ann Kirk has been regularly attending as Director of KSB and a representative of the City. Ashley Youmans and Maxwell Ruppensburg received a tour of the high school facilities and then met with Principal Walker, Associate Principal Lockhart, and a new Asst. Principal, Joshua Ford, to discuss plans for the Great Promise Partnership as well as a Smyrna Youth Council and other ways the city government can support Campbell High School.
- Meeting with Census Bureau – Census Day is April 1, 2020. This week staff met with representatives of the U.S. Census Bureau and was given information to prepare for the 2020 Census count. The U.S. Census staff discussed their accurate address list program called Local Update of Census Addresses (LUCA), shared information with us about establishing our Complete Count Committee, and they provided timelines for other upcoming census related events/workshops.

## Police Department

- Number of Calls for Service – 1,440
- Training Hours – 32

## Fire Department

- Calls for Service – Fire – 1; Medical – 63; Other – 51
- Administration – SFD hosted its Physical Agility Testing on Tuesday and Wednesday this week. There were 56 applicants who tested, and of those, 45 proceeded to the next round of panel interviews. The next step in the hiring process will be the Chief Interview, scheduled in the upcoming weeks.
- September 11<sup>th</sup> Ceremony – Reminder that this event will be held in front of City Hall at 8:30am on September 11<sup>th</sup>.

## Community Development

### Permits

Type	#	Estimated Cost of Construction	Location
Building – New/Residential	7	\$1,713,565	Smyrna Grove (1), Tackett Farms (2), 1099 Bank St, 2611 Gilbert St
Building – Remodel/Residential	11	\$290,600	Interior – 2; Addition – 4; Roof – 4; Accessory Structure – 1
Building – Remodel/Commercial	3	\$147,000	3326 S Cobb Dr (Monterrey's), 591 Pat Mell Rd (Cell Tower), and 5000 Highlands Pkwy (Cordelia Lighting)
Plumbing	4		
HVAC	14		
Electrical	2		
Signs	2		2524 Cobb Parkway (The Juicy Crab)

### Weekly Inspections

Type	Number	# of Sites
All	143	94

### **New Businesses**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Home/Commercial</b>	<b>Description</b>
Distinctive Lashes & Beauty	3812 Highlands Pkwy	C	Day Spa
True North Leadership Group	480 Cooper Lake Rd	C	Misc – Mental Health
The Cambrice Agency	1800 Lake Park Dr	C	Insurance Broker
Papizan Trading Co	1800 Shenandoah Valley	H	Internet Sales

### **Parks and Recreation**

- Facility Rentals – Community Center – 37, Brawner Hall – 10, Taylor-Brawner House – 2, Welcome Center – 1, Fields – 6, Pavilions – 8
- American Red Cross Blood Drive – On October 2<sup>nd</sup> from 3:00 – 7:00pm the American Red Cross will be holding a blood drive at the Community Center. This event is on the city website, and there is a link that allows you to make an appointment online for your donation!
- Parks Master Plan –
  - Master Plan “dot boards” will be displayed for citizens at Food Truck Tuesdays in September and at the Taste of Smyrna. The boards will be available for citizens to place dots on items and ideas that they would like to see prioritized and implemented in the Parks system. Staff and Perez Planning will be at the tables to guide and explain the activity.
  - There is now a “RECREATESMYRNA” instagram page for the Master Plan and Parks system – please follow us!
- Reed House – The donated furniture for the Reed House is being recovered.
- Athletics/Aquatics – Tolleson Pool is still busy, with numbers equal to attendance in June!

### **Library**

- Smyrna Reads – The Library's annual community-wide reading project will focus on the culinary history of the south. We will promote regional cookbooks and the many food-centered community events that take place in September. Publicity will start at the end of August, and the Kick-Off event for "Smyrna Reads / Smyrna Eats!" is Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, at 3:00pm with a lecture on southern food by Terri Carter. See details at [www.smyrnareads.com](http://www.smyrnareads.com).
- Eclipse Party “Thank You!” – The Library hosted approximately 500 eclipse viewers on Monday, August 21<sup>st</sup>. A big thanks go to Administration, Communications, IT, Public Works, Parks & Recreation, Smyrna Police, and Smyrna Fire who all helped us in different ways to prepare for the event. We got lots of positive feedback from participants, and everything went smoothly. Thanks to all!
- Staff News – Library Aide, Moses Nester, is the illustrator for the graphic novel, *A Machine Age War: Jekyll Island Chronicles #1*. The book was honored at the "Books All Georgians Should Read" 2017 ceremony hosted by the Georgia Center on Thursday, August 17<sup>th</sup>. He is currently at work on the artwork for volume 2, which is due out in mid-2018.

### **Information Systems**

- Broadcast of Council Meetings – The IT department has successfully transmitted a digital recording of the most recent Council Meeting to Cobb County for rebroadcast on their channel 23. In the past we have burned DVD's during the meeting and over-nighted them to Cobb. The DVD recorder is no longer supported and failed prior to the meeting. We are not going to replace the DVD recorder and will use digital files going forward, which saves money and time.
- Upgrading Feed – We are working to upgrade our video feed to Charter from the current analog composite video, which is very low quality, to a high quality digital signal. The equipment needed for this is in house, and we are waiting for Charter to schedule the installation.

### **Keep Smyrna Beautiful**

- Free Shredding Event – The next shredding event is scheduled for September 23<sup>rd</sup>, from 9:00am – 12:00pm at the Wolfe Center. We get lots of calls about this, so please help get the word out!
- Work Glove Luncheon – The annual appreciation luncheon for our incredible staff who work outdoors is scheduled for September 27<sup>th</sup> at 11:00am at the Community Center

## **Public Works**

- Spring Road Improvements – Baldwin Paving worked on a few punch list items this week. The repaving portion of the punch list is scheduled to take place Sunday and Monday nights. Currently they have 40 items remaining on the punch list.
- Windy Hill Boulevard Project – The asbestos survey report was received this week on 2390 Beaver Creek Road. Request for quotes have been sent out for the abatement of asbestos and demolition of the structure.
- Glendale Place – A preliminary landscape plan and cost estimate for the landscaping along the roadway has been submitted and is under review.
- Fire Station 2 – The contractor has mobilized and begun survey work and installed sediment and erosion control devices.
- Crew Work – Staff addressed curbing repairs along Memorial Place this week and began repairs to the concrete trail on Concord Road. Maintenance work orders were also addressed on a few roadways where debris and overgrowth accumulate.
- Street Paving – The contractor paved Tolleson Park parking lot on the McCauley side, Gordon Circle, Teasley Drive, and Turpin Road. City Hall parking lots are tentatively scheduled to be paved on Aug 29<sup>th</sup> – Aug 30<sup>th</sup>.
- South Cobb Drive HAWK Signal – The GDOT contractor worked this week on the project installing the median island and foundations for the signal posts.
- Church Street Storm Sewer Replacement – The storm sewer piping was delivered this week and the contractor began installation. The project is about 25% complete.
- Pretty Branch to Lee Street Sewer Replacement – The contractor did not work on the punch list this week.
- Sub Basin 3 Sanitary Sewer Outfall – Still under easement acquisitions and design.
- Sewer Replacement at S. Cobb at Floyd – Waiting on GDOT to approve a permit so this project can be bid.
- Water Main Break at S. Cobb at Ask Kay Drive – Waiting on GDOT to approve a permit so we can repair our water main.
- Projects Out For Design – Sub Basin 3 Sanitary Sewer Outfall, Pat Mell Road Storm Sewer, Lake Court Park Storm Sewer, Sewer replacement on McCauley Rd, Water main replacement at South Cobb between Bank and Church Streets

## **Road and Lane Closures during the Week of August 28<sup>th</sup>**

<b>Location of Road/Lane Closure</b>	<b>When</b>	<b>Purpose</b>
Atlanta Road, btwn Daniel Dr & Fleming St	Periodic Daily	Wood Pole Replacement by GP
Hawthorne Ave, btwn Atlanta Rd & Matthews St.	Periodic Daily	Wood Pole Replacement by GP
Woodland Terrace, btwn Spring Rd & Dead End	Aug 25 <sup>th</sup> 9:00am - 4:00pm	Developer installing sewer connection
Bell Dr, btwn Spring Rd & Afton Downs	Periodic Daily	Developer installing water taps and on street parking spaces
Spring Rd, btwn Bell Dr & Cobb Pkwy	Aug 27 <sup>th</sup> – Aug 28 <sup>th</sup> Nightly	Baldwin Paving addressing punch list paving items
Memorial Place, btwn Atlanta Rd & Church St	Periodic Daily	Curb asphalt repairs
S. Cobb Dr, btwn Plaza Dr & Pinehill Dr	Periodic Daily	GDOT installing HAWK pedestrian signal
Teasley Dr, btwn Village Pkwy & Terri Myers Dr	Aug 25 <sup>th</sup> Daily	Street Repaving (Baldwin Paving)
Village Walk, btwn Bank St and Stephens St	Aug 29 <sup>th</sup> – Aug 30 <sup>th</sup> Daily	Repaving of City Hall parking lots (Baldwin Paving)
Isoline Way, btwn Nancy Cir and Ann Rd	Aug 25 <sup>th</sup> – Aug 28 <sup>th</sup> Daily	Street Repaving (Baldwin Paving)
Isoline Way, btwn Nancy Cir and Argyle Dr	Aug 29 <sup>th</sup> Daily	Street Repaving (Baldwin Paving)
Nancy Cir, btwn Campbell Rd and Ann Rd	Aug 25 <sup>th</sup> – Aug 29 <sup>th</sup> Daily	Street Repaving (Baldwin Paving)
Drewbury Ct, btwn Campbell Rd and Dead End	Aug 26 <sup>th</sup> – Aug 28 <sup>th</sup> Daily	Street Repaving (Baldwin Paving)
Spring St @ Mimosa Cir	Aug 28 <sup>th</sup> Daily	Smyrna Water Dept. performing water service replacement